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<u>Vu</u>	AA	US 2003/0025184 A1	02/06/2003	Morozumi			07/26/2002
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<u>Vu</u>	AG	2001-326326	11/22/2001	Japan		X	Yes
<u>Vu</u>	AH	5041478	02/19/1993	Japan		X	Yes
<u>Vu</u>	AI	2003-51569	02/21/2003	Japan		X	
<u>Vu</u>	AJ	2001-244404	09/07/2001	Japan		X	Yes
<u>Vu</u>	AK	2001-044357	02/16/2001	Japan		X	Yes
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- References AG (JP 2001-326326), AH (JP 5041478), AI (JP 2003-51569), AJ (JP 2001-244404) & AK (JP 2001-044357) are cited in the Japanese Office Action issued May 11, 2007 in connection with the corresponding Japanese Application No. 2003-110680.
- Reference AI (JP 2003-51569) corresponds to Reference AA (US 2003/0025184 A1).



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LIST OF ADDITIONAL SUBMITTED DOCUMENTS	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	APPLICATION NO.
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